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REMARKS

Included herein is a request for a one-month extension along with the appropriate fee.

In the Office Action mailed 9/1/2006, Claim 8 was canceled. Claims 14-17 and 19-20 were rejected as being anticipated by Lowerwald. Claims 9-12 were rejected as being obvious over Lowerwald. Claims 13 and 18 were rejected as being obvious over Lowerwald in view of Timp.

Claims 1-4 and 6-8 were allowed.

On November 1, 2006, Applicant submitted a first Request for Reconsideration seeking to introduce matter allowed in claims 1-4 and 6-8 into non-allowed claims. The Examiner, in his 11/24/06 Advisory Action, refused to incorporate such amendment. In response, Applicant has herein canceled the non-allowed claims. Since only the previously-allowed claims remain pending, Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner allow this case most expeditiously.

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Conclusion

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, Applicant respectfully requests that the application be reconsidered, the claims be allowed, and the case passed to issue.

Respectfully submitted,

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